



## OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PLAN

### **“UNDERGROUND OUTLET”**

Landowner/Operator: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Legal description of practice location: SEC \_\_\_\_\_ T \_\_\_\_\_ R \_\_\_\_\_

#### **OVERVIEW**

A properly operated and maintained underground outlet for water is an asset to your farm. This outlet was designed and installed to convey water in a pipeline where it can be released without causing erosion. The performance life of the practice can be assured and usually increased by developing and carrying out a good operation and maintenance program.

This practice will require you to perform periodic operation and maintenance to maintain satisfactory performance. The following recommendations will help you in performing adequate operation and maintenance.

#### **GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Check all above ground connections, valves, gates, trash racks, screens, rodent guards, inlets and outlets and repair, if needed, to make sure they are functioning properly.
- Maintain design depth of cover on all pipelines and structures.
- Avoid operation of tillage and subsoiling equipment that could damage any component of the system
- Remove all foreign debris that hinders system operation.
- Limit traffic over pipeline to designated sections that were designed for traffic loads.
- Eradicate or otherwise remove all rodents or burrowing animals. Immediately repair any damage caused by their activity.
- Immediately repair any vandalism, vehicular or livestock damage.

### **SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS FOR YOUR STRUCTURE**

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*CONTACT YOUR LOCAL NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE OFFICE FOR ANY ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE YOU MIGHT NEED FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PLAN FOR YOUR STRUCTURE.*